MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL TRANSMITTAL LETTER

February 9, 2010

MEMORANDUM

TO:

CUSTODIANS OF MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL

FROM:

MARTA STAGLIANO, CHIEF, COMPLIANCE (

SUBJECT:

MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL CHANGES

CHAPTER 400 - MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL/SUBSTANCE ABUSE

SERVICES

BACKGROUND AND EXPLANATIONS

The 2005 Nevada Legislative Session amended State law to begin recognizing and licensing Clinical Professional Counselors as professionals who may provide counseling interventions to prevent, diagnose and treat mental, emotional or behavioral disorders and associated distresses which interfere with mental health. This was a mechanism to allow for improved access for mental health professionals to deliver services in the State of Nevada. These professionals would be recognized as Qualified Mental Health Professionals within our current State plan. Changes will be effective upon approval at the Public Hearing.

MATERIAL TRANSMITTED

MTL 05/10

CHAPTER 400 - MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL/SUBSTANCE ABUSE **SERVICES**

Sec. 403.3.2.a.4

Added "or clinical professional counselor"

Sec. 403.3.2.d.1

Added "and are licensed as an intern"

Added "pursuant to"

MATERIAL SUPERSEDED MTL 30/08

CHAPTER 400 - MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL/SUBSTANCE ABUSE **SERVICES**

Deleted "approved by"

Deleted ".035"

Deleted "Internship program requirements are governed by the State of Nevada, Board of Examiners for Social Worker and Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), Chapter 641B."

Sec. 403.3.2.d.2

Added "and Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor"

Added "meet the requirements under a program of internship and are licensed as an intern pursuant to the State of Nevada Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors."

Deleted "hold a master's degree in marriage and family therapy, or an equivalent degree from an accredited university, whose registration by the board has been approved (NAC 641A.035) and who is actively participating as a licensed intern in accordance to the licensing regulations. An LMFT internship means an approved program of supervised and documented experience in clinical practice (NAC 641A.035)."